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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Inventors : Katsushi ITO  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for:

( ) one month      ( ) three months  
( ) two months      ( ) four months

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for a three-month extension of time is \$980.00.

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Applicant is a small entity entitled to pay reduced fees in this application.

A verified small entity statement:

has been filed  is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a:

Response/ Amendment  Notice of Appeal  Appeal Brief

Request for Continued Examination (RCE)

Sub Power of Attorney/Change of Correspondence Address

Respectfully submitted,



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